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E.O. 11652: NA

TAGS: CASC: DAVID ARTHUR KOPP

SUBJECT: STATUS REPORT - KOPP DISAPPEARANCE CASE

REF: MONTREAL 1336 AND PREVIOUS

1. WE HAVE BEEN IN TELEPHONE COMMUNICATION WITH LAVAL POLICE AND WITH KOPP'S MOTHER, BUT NOTHING CONCRETE HAS DEVELOPED. DEPUTY POLICE CHIEF CHARBANEAUX TELLS US THAT POLICE REMAIN CONVINCED THAT DRUG ASPECTS OF CASE STILL THE PRIMARY ELEMENT AND HAVE NOT LOST THEIR CONVICTION THAT BOTH YOUNG MEN WILL EVENTUALLY SURFACE.

2. POLICE HAVE RELEASED CASE TO PRESS. WE HAVE SEEN REPORTS IN FRENCH LANGUAGE PRESS, BUT NOTHING YET IN ENGLISH PRESS. WE HAVE BOTH POLICE AND KOPP FAMILY PERMISSION TO USE OUR CONTACTS IN ATTEMPT EXPAND COVERAGE, WITH PHOTO, TO ENGLISH LANGUAGE NEWSPAPERS THIS WEEK. POLICE INFORM US THAT COVERAGE SO FAR HAS RESULTED IN A NUMBER OF TELEPHONE CALLS, AND THAT THEY ARE NOW INVESTIGATING ALL MATERIAL RECEIVED. IF NOTHING FURTHER DEVELOPS FROM PRESS CAMPAIGN, POLICE WILL TRY A NEW, UNSPECIFIED, APPROACH SOON, PERHAPS WITHIN A WEEK.

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3. POLICE REPORT THAT THEY HAVE RECEIVED SEVERAL INQUIRIES FROM QUEBEC PROVINCIAL POLICE IN RESPONSE TELEX NOTIFICATION TO ALL QUEBEC POLICE AUTHORITIES, BUT NOTHING DEFINITE RESULTED. WE ARE NOW SATISFIED THAT ALLJURISDICTIONS IN QUEBEC ARE ADEQUATELY INFORMED OF CASE. FROM INFORMATION RECEIVED FROM LAVAL POLICE, HOWEVER, WE ARE LESS CONFIDENT THAT POLICE IN OTHER PROVINCES, ESPECIALLY NEARBY ONTARIO, ARE SUFFICIENTLY

INFORMED.

4. FOR OTTAWA: REQUEST EMBASSY TAKE WHATEVER STEPS IT BELIEVES POSSIBLE AND PRODUCTIVE TO INSURE THAT RCMP AND PROVINCIAL POLICE ARE FULLY INFORMED ON THIS CASE. HARPER

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